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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

MAY, 2016

NEW YEARLY SEWER AVERAGES FOR RESIDENTIAL SEWER BEGIN ON THIS BILL

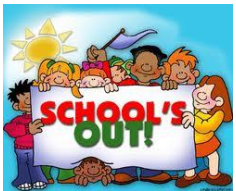
This is the first month that your new sewer average is reflected on your bill. Your sewer rates are calculated from your water usage we receive from Oklahoma City and Bethany Water Departments. Every year the Oklahoma City and the Bethany Water Departments forwards to the City of Warr Acres a three (3) months average consumption of water usage for each residential property for the winter months of December, January and February. These three months are used because they are the months with the least amount of water being used during the year. The City of Warr Acres then takes this three (3) months winter average and figures the next year's sewer rates. This means that your sewer bill starting this month through April 2017 may have an increase, decrease, or your rate may remain the same depending on how much water consumption you had during December 2015 and January and February 2016.

CITY OF WARR ACRES OFFICES LOCKED DURING SEVERE WEATHER

In the event of a tornado warning being issued, the City Hall office buildings will be LOCKED. For the safety of our citizens, residents will not be allowed to shelter at City Hall. These buildings were never meant to serve as public shelters and are NOT compliant with FEMA standards for a tornado shelter.

THERE ARE NO PUBLIC STORM SHELTERS IN WARR ACRES!

SCHOOL WILL BE OUT SOON & KIDS WILL BE PLAYING.



At the end of this month, school will be out for the summer. Our kids will be playing all around our city neighborhoods. They will be in the yards or coming back from the city parks. When driving around our neighborhoods and near our parks, please be mindful and watch out for our youth.

ASK TO SEE ID WHEN SOMEONE COMES TO YOUR DOOR

- claiming to be a representative of a utility company or repair service:
- 1) DO NOT** volunteer any information about how many people are in the house. If they are there to burglarize, they will want to find out if you are the only one at home.
 - 2) ALWAYS** ask to see a badge. **ALL** OG&E employees have one. Contractors will not, but **ALWAYS CALL** OG&E at (405) 272-9741 to verify if they were sent by the utility company.
 - 3)** If you're truly uncomfortable, call the police at (405) 789-3329.



Helpful Phone Numbers

City Hall	789-2892
Fax	787-5432
Police Department	789-3329
Fire Department	789-5912
Animal Control	789-9025
Municipal Court	495-3032
Inspections & Permits	789-2892
Sanitation Department	491-6474
Streets & Parks	787-1404
Sewer Department	491-6478
Community Center	789-9892
Putnam City Schools	495-5200

City Council Members

Mayor

Patrick Woolley 409-4944

Ward 1

Bo Broadwater
517-0289

Ward 3

Jimmy Bullen
412-2318

James Mickley
760-0401

John Knipp
789-4690

Ward 2

Stephen Fuhrman
537-5415

Ward 4

Glen Lipinski
789-8640

Blayne Allsup
202-1584

Donnie Ryan
831-6483

Storm Safety

HAVE A SAFETY PLAN:

- Have a safety plan for wherever you might be when a tornado strikes – School, work, church, home, shopping, etc.
- Think through your plan in advance, since there may not be much time to act.
- Practice your plan and be sure all family members know what to do.

Recycling

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue on the first Saturday(9-3) and Sunday (1-3) of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather. Warr Acres Recycle Committee 720-2949.

Dear Warr Acres Citizens: At a June 28th, 2016. Special Election, the City is asking for your consideration on 4 (four) proposed Charter Changes. Last year the Legislature passed new laws regarding how and when City elections are held. Our Charter now conflicts with State Law. The proposed changes would bring the Charter in line with the new laws. If the changes are not adopted, the City will not be able to utilize the County Election Board to hold our elections. The City would be forced to hold our own elections at a higher cost – additional personnel to man the polling places, the cost of printing special ballots just for Warr Acres, and the time and expense of processing the results. The following is a condensed version. Some working has been marked through intentionally to denote changes. To view a full version, visit www.warracres-ok.gov or request a copy from City Hall.

EXHIBIT NO. 1

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA. ARTICLE 7. ELECTIONS

Mayor And Councilmen Elected For Two-Year Terms; When Terms Begin:

Section 7-1. At the elections in every odd-numbered year, a mayor shall be elected at large, and a councilman shall be elected from and by each ward of the city. At the elections in every even-numbered year, a councilman shall be elected from and by each ward of the city. The mayor and all councilmen shall serve for terms of two years.

The terms of office of the mayor and councilmen to begin at ~~7:00~~ 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the first Tuesday following certification of their election. If the mayor-elect or a councilman-elect fails to qualify within one month thereafter, his office shall become vacant; and the council shall fill the vacancy.

Primary Election; Filing:

Section 7-3. Any qualified person may have his name placed on the ballot for the primary election as a candidate for mayor or councilman from the ward in which he resides by filing, ~~not more than one month and at least two weeks prior to the primary election with the city clerk, a sworn statement of his candidacy.~~ with the County Election Board, during a three (3) day candidate filing period beginning not more than twenty (20) days from the date the resolution calling the election is required by law to be filed with the County Election Board. The filing dates shall be established by the Council and set forth in the resolution calling for the election. A sworn statement of his candidacy shall also be filed with the city clerk.

Primary Election; Time, Etc.:

Section 7-4. Unless otherwise provided by ordinance, a primary election shall be held on the ~~first Tuesday in March~~ second Tuesday in February of every odd-numbered year to nominate candidates for mayor and councilmen to succeed those whose terms are expiring. A primary election shall be held on the ~~first Tuesday in March~~ second Tuesday in February of every even-numbered year to nominate candidates for councilmen to succeed those whose terms are expiring. If only one person is a candidate for an office to be filled, he shall be not only nominated, but also elected ipso facto; and his name shall not appear on the primary or general election ballot. Every qualified elector of the city shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for mayor, and every qualified elector of a ward shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for councilman from his ward.

ARTICLE 2. MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor And Council; Vacancies:

Section 2-9. The council, by vote of a majority of all its members, shall fill a vacancy in the office of mayor and other vacancies in its own membership for the unexpired terms or until successors are elected and take office as provided in this section. If a vacancy occurs before the beginning of a regular filing period for candidates for councilmen, ~~and the unexpired term extends beyond 7:30 o'clock P.M. on the next first Monday in May,~~ then a mayor or councilman for that place shall be elected at the elections of that year to serve the rest of the unexpired term. ~~beginning at 7:30 p.m. on said first Monday in May.~~